

**COMPENSATION OF EDUCATORS WITH  
NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION**

2008 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Carol Spackman Moss**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates a program to provide additional compensation for teachers who obtain National Board certification.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- directs the State Board of Education to establish a program for school districts and charter schools to provide additional compensation for teachers who obtain National Board certification;
- requires school districts and charter schools to provide matching funds to qualify for the program; and
- specifies how program monies may be used.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, \$275,000 from the Uniform School Fund for fiscal year 2008-09 to the State Board of Education.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill takes effect on July 1, 2008.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:



28           **53A-6-113**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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30   *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

31           Section 1. Section **53A-6-113** is enacted to read:

32           **53A-6-113. Additional teacher compensation -- National Board certification.**

33           (1) As used in this section:

34           (a) "Licensed teacher" means a teacher who holds:

35           (i) a level 1, level 2, or level 3 license; and

36           (ii) the endorsements required by board rule for the teacher's assignments.

37           (b) "National Board certification" means a current certificate issued by the National  
38 Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

39           (2) A program is created to provide additional compensation to licensed teachers who  
40 obtain National Board certification.

41           (3) The State Board of Education shall give grants to school districts and charter  
42 schools for the purpose stated in Subsection (2) from monies appropriated by the Legislature  
43 for that purpose.

44           (4) To participate in the program, a school district or charter school shall provide local  
45 matching funds for the program in an amount equal to the state program monies provided to  
46 that school district or charter school.

47           (5) The State Board of Education shall distribute money appropriated by the  
48 Legislature to school districts and charter schools to pay \$1,500 for additional compensation  
49 for teachers who obtain National Board certification, subject to the additional \$1,500 local  
50 match.

51           (6) School district or charter school participation in the program is voluntary and shall  
52 be determined by the local school board or charter school board.

53           (7) The State Board of Education may make rules in accordance with Title 63, Chapter  
54 46a, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to administer this section.

55           Section 2. **Appropriation.**

56           As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated  
57 from the Uniform School Fund for fiscal year 2008-09, \$275,000 to the State Board of  
58 Education to fund additional compensation for teachers with National Board certification.

59           Section 3. **Effective date.**  
60           This bill takes effect on July 1, 2008.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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